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1. Political deportees who were in the concentration camps of the Dobrudzha and of the island of Halen / on the Danube, have been transferred to Rumania where they are to be used in the construction of the Danube-Black Sea Canal. This order of the Bulgarian Communist authorities caused serious discontent among the population of this region, where every family has a relative interned in a camp.
2. Several workers were arrested recently at the "Tos Malev" Textile Factory in Sofia and were accused of acts of sabotage. The same occurred also at the "Voroshilov" Textile Factory in Sofia.
3. Toward the middle of January 1953, twenty students and two professors were arrested at the "Khristo Botev" Technical School in Sofia and accused of being members of the Bulgarian anti-Communist resistance.

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5. A large-scale purge has been completed among Air and Armored units so that now these units have no officers or noncommissioned officers who served prior to or during World War II. Their places were taken by Communists designated by the Party.
6. In view of the increasing hardship of service in the Border Guards, their food rations were recently increased. Now they receive a ration of meat every five days, while other units of the Army only receive one every nine days. Also, the Border Guards receive 30 grams of cheese per day, while other Bulgarian soldiers only receive 20 grams per day.

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1 [ ] Comment: Possibly a reference to the concentration camp at Belene (N 43-40, E 25-06).

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